Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. The matter was examined.

(*c*) It was not considered necessary to change the present timings.

Projects undertaken under Cauvery Basin

399. Sri D. M. SIDDAIAH (Biligere).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the progress of work made in the projects undertaken in Cauvery basin during the last three years ;

(*b*) the project under construction and the projects that have been just started and the progress made in Cauveri basin ;

(*c*) when the Kabini Project was started and the progress so far made ; and the amount spent in the year 1968-69 ;

(*d*) whether these projects would be completed before 1974, when the agreement between Tamil Nadu and Mysore Government expires ?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(*a*)—

Name of project	*Progress made during 1966-69*
(i) Kabini	Central Masonry spillway, end connections of left bank, left bank earthen dam and left and right bank irrigation sluices were in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 227.79 lakhs was incurred during last 3 years *viz*,, 66-67, 67-68 and 68-69.
(ii) Hemavathy	Central Masonry spillway, Left and and Right Earthen Embankment works were in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 98. 66 lakhs was incurred during this period.
(iii) Harangi	Preliminary works like buildings, approach roads, canal surveys, foundation exploration were in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 9.9 lakhs was incurred during this period.
(iv) Suvarnavathy	Central Masonry spillway, Right and Left earthen embankment and left bank canals were in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 86.42 lakhs was incurred during this period.

(*b*)—

Projects under construction	*Progress made*
(i) Kabini	Works are in brisk progress. Cumulative expenditure to end of November 1969 is Rs 519.44 lakhs ;
(ii) Hemavathy	Works are in progress and cumulative expenditure to end of November 1969 is Rs. 200.38 lakhs ;
(iii) Harangi	Tenders have been invited for foundation excavation and partial masonry works ;
(iv) Suvarnavathy	Works are in brisk progress and the cumulative expenditure to end of November 1969 is 134.11 lakhs.

Projects just started

(i) Gundal.

(ii) Manchanabele.

(*c*) Kabini project was started in December 1959.

The Left Bank embankment is under completion. The masonry overflow and non-overflow sections have come up above river bed level. Right Bank embankment work is in progress as also the Right Bank irrigation sluices. The left bank irrigation sluice is completed. Left Bank canal work is started.

The amount spent during 1968-69 is Rs. 110.38 lakhs.

(*d*) Every effort will be made to complete them, or to bring them as near completion as possible, by 1974.

Modifying the system of Levy of Water Rate

432. Sri B. GANGANNA (Kallambella).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Government has thought of modifying the system of levy of water rate, on average crop basis, in the ashkats of all minor and medium irrigation projects and tanks ;

(*b*) if so, the manner of levy of water rate and effecting the collection of the same ?